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OK Notice CRP-565

For: County Offices

CRP Conservation Priority Areas (CPA), Water Quality Zones, and Wildlife Zones

Approved by: State Executive Director



1 Overview

A Background

Preparations for general CRP signup 29 required states to review and, if necessary, modify state CPAs.

The CPA provides basic land eligibility for eligible land located within the CPA boundary. Additionally, states were required to review air quality, water quality, or wildlife zones within the CPAs. Location of eligible land in a CPA results in land eligibility; the location of the eligible land within air quality, water quality, or wildlife zones results in environmental benefits index points being awarded to the land.

The state's CPAs were developed with a water quality emphasis. Emphasis was placed on land located in areas of (1) nutrient limited watersheds, (2) scenic rivers, (3) state water quality areas, (4) rehabilitation watersheds, (5) municipal water supplies, (6) sedimentation, and (7) 303d listing concerns. The establishment of CPAs, based on water quality issues, resulted in the water quality zone boundaries being transparent to the CPA boundaries. The wildlife zone boundaries were established transparent to the CPA boundaries since concerns of the lesser prairie chicken, northern bob white quail and neotropical migrant bird populations existed in these areas. There was not an air quality zone established for Oklahoma.

The State Committee, in consultation with the State Conservationist, reviewed signup 26 offer data to determine if the signup 26 CPAs and zones should be modified for signup 29. The data indicated modifications to the CPAs and zones should be made.

B Purpose

This notice provides:

- approved state CPAs
- approved water quality and wildlife zones.

Disposal Date:

02-01-05

01-22-04

Distribution:

County Offices

2 State CPAs and Zones

A CPA

Exhibit 1 provides a map indicating areas of the state encompassed by a CPA effective signup 29. Land must have been cropped in four of the six years for 1996 through 2001 to be offered for CRP. Land meeting the cropping requirement and located within the CPA will not have to meet the erodibility index (EI) of 8 criteria.

Exhibit 2 provides the specific name for each CPA, the state and county codes, and hydrologic unit codes located within the CPA.

B Water Quality Zones

The same area reflected in Exhibit 1 identifies the state's water quality zones. Eligible land, located in a water quality zone, will receive additional environmental benefit index points.

C Wildlife Zones

The same area reflected in Exhibit 1 identifies the state's wildlife zones. Eligible land, located in a wildlife zone, will receive additional environmental benefit index points.

Note: The fact that the water quality and wildlife zones are transparent will result in the offer receiving environmental benefit index points for both.

D HUC Maps

Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) maps are anticipated to be provided to counties through a website. The map will be utilized by all counties for locating which HUC the eligible land is located in and determining if the offer is located in an approved CPA or zone.

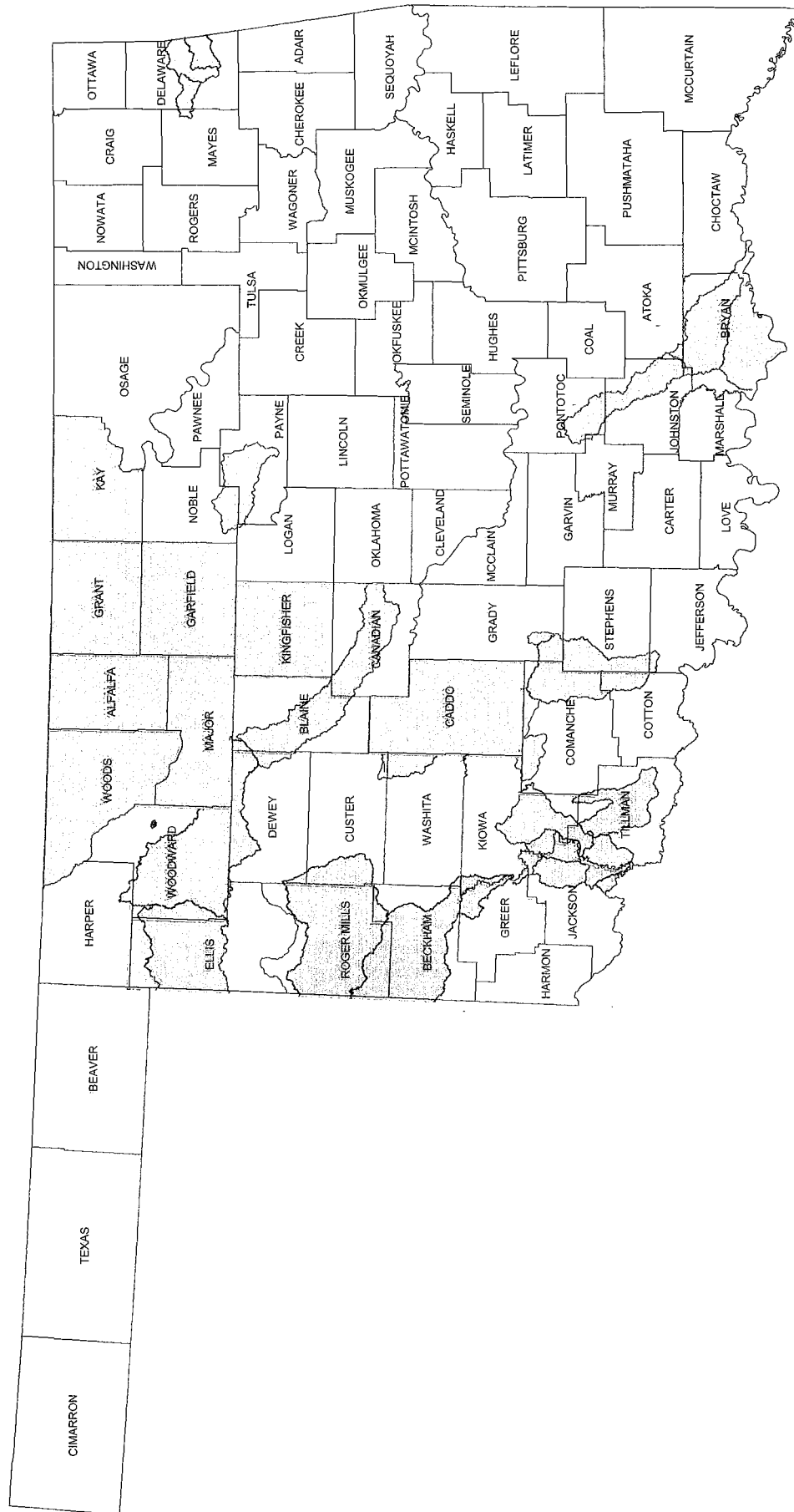
3 Action

A County Office Action

The following action shall be completed:

- refer to Exhibits 1 and 2 to identify areas of the county and associated land located within the CPAs
- when instructions are received, utilize the HUC map website to locate offered land
- review this notice information with the COC and NRCS
- at the appropriate time, include CPA and zone information in your publicity efforts about the next general signup.

CRP Eligibility



CRP Eligibility Areas

Conservation Priority Areas

CPA Name	County	Whole County?	HUC Code
Blue River	Atoka	No	11140102010
			11140102020
	Bryan	No	11140102020
			11140101010
			11140102010
	Johnston	No	11140102010
	Murray	No	11140102010
	Pontotoc	No	11140102010
Cache and Medicine Creek Tributaries	Comanche	No	11130202010
	Kiowa	No	11130202010
Cobb Creek	Caddo	Yes	N/A
	Custer	No	11130302160
	Washita	No	11130302160
Fort Supply Lake	Ellis	No	11100203020
			11100203016
	Woodward	No	11100203020
Foss Lake	Beckham	No	11130301080
			11130301090
			11130301070
	Custer	No	11130301100
			11130301120
			11130301110
	Dewey	No	11130301100
	Roger Mills	No	11130301110
			11130301090
			11130301030
			11130301100
			11130301016
			11130301040
			11130301050
			11130301020
			11130301070
			11130301080
			11130301060
Great Salt Plains	Alfalfa	Yes	N/A
	Woods	Yes	N/A
Lake Eucha/Spavinaw Creek	Delaware	No	11070209015
	Mayes	No	11070209015
Middle Deep Red Run	Comanche	No	11130203030
	Kiowa	No	11130203030
	Tillman	No	11130203030
North Canadian River	Blaine	No	11100301030
			11100301040
			11100301050
	Canadian	No	11100301050
			11100301080
			11100301070

CPA Name	County	Whole County?	HUC Code
North Canadian River (cont.)	Canadian	No	11100301060
	Dewey	No	11100301030
	Dewey	No	11100301040
	Ellis	No	11100201055
	Harper	No	11100301010
	Woodward	No	11100301010
			11100301020
			11100301030
			11100201055
North Fork of Red River	Beckham	No	11120302040
			11120302026
			11120302016
			11120302030
	Comanche	No	11120303030
	Greer	No	11120302030
	Greer	No	11120303050
	Jackson	No	11120303050
			11120303040
			11130101030
	Kiowa	No	11120303030
			11120302030
			11120303050
	Roger Mills	No	11120302026
			11120302016
			11120302030
			11120302040
	Tillman	No	11120303050
			11120303030
	Washita	No	11120302030
Salt Fork River	Grant	Yes	N/A
	Kay	Yes	N/A
Stillwater Creek	Logan	No	11050003070
	Noble	No	11050003070
	Payne	No	11050003070
Taylor Lake	Grady	No	11130303140
Turkey Creek	Garfield	Yes	N/A
	Kingfisher	Yes	N/A
	Major	Yes	N/A
Waurika Lake	Comanche	No	11130208010
	Cotton	No	11130208010
	Grady	No	11130208020
	Jefferson	No	11130208010
	Jefferson	No	11130208030
	Stephens	No	11130208030
	Stephens	No	11130208010
	Stephens	No	11130208020